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John J. Johnson, Executive Director
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Dear John:

I am delighted to have this opportunity to express congratulations to the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights as you acknowledge your historic agency's 50th anniversary. The tireless efforts, dedication, intestinal fortitude, charisma, integrity, and leadership of commission members and staff over the years have made an indelible imprint on the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the nation. It gives me great pride to know that the work my husband Medgar died for in order to rid American of discrimination is continued today by you and the Kentucky Human Rights Commission.

The commission has succeeded despite the myriad of obstacles it has confronted over the last half-century. The agency's dedicated efforts have indeed improved the quality of life for all Kentuckians.

My best wishes are with you and the commission board and staff as you carry out the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights 50-Year Civil Rights Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. As the first full-time chair of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored people, I know what a service such a conference will provide in instilling in future generations the commitment and determination necessary to fulfill the promise of civil rights. We must never stop fighting and sacrificing for the equality of all people.

My very best regards,



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